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Sir:

A Petition and fee for a three-month Extension of Time through and including July 22, 2005, accompanies this Election.

In response to the written restriction requirement dated March 22, 2005, the applicants hereby elect with traverse to prosecute the Group III claims, e.g., claims 18-20, drawn to a cell culture.

A Preliminary Amendment has been filed concurrently with this Election in which claims 4-7, 9-14, and 16-17 have been cancelled, and claims 21-32 have been added. New claims 21-31 are consonant with the elected subject matter. The applicants respectfully request that claims 1-3, 8, 15, and 32 be rejoined for examination upon indication of an allowable product claim, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 and MPEP §821.04.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Respectfully submitted,

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